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and its history. And there are many other departments on the revenue side which have to be looked after in the same way."

SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" Was not the abolition of the Revenue Board one of the pet policies of the Congress? If so, why has it been given the go-by now? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" When there were Collectors of districts who were very senior and who thought very highly of themselves, this proposal was made. But such is not the case now."

Salur Panchayat Board.

* 189 Q.—SRI K. VENKATANARAYANA DORA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(a) the reason for converting the Salur Panchayat Board into a municipality;

(b) the action taken on the petitions submitted by the people of Salur requesting the Government to abolish the municipality;

(c) whether the Government will abolish the municipality at least now; and

(d) the action taken upon the charges levelled against the Special Officer of the municipality?

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" (a) A municipality was constituted for Salur as the town, being the taluk headquarters and an important commercial centre, was badly in need of better amenities.

" (b) As the main grievance of the people was that they were burdened with additional taxation, taxes were reduced. No other action was considered necessary, as a municipality was necessary in the interests of the town.

" (c) No.

" (d) The matter is under enquiry by the Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards."

SRI K. VENKATANARAYANA, DORA ;—" నా ప్రశ్నకు జవాబు తెలుగులో కోరుతున్నాను, Sir."

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI ;—"(a) & (b) సాలూరు తాలూకా headquarters అయినందువల్లను, మరియు అది ముఖ్య వ్యాపారస్థలమైనందు వల్లను అచ్చట కొన్ని వసతులు కావలసినందున, అది మునిసిపాలిటీ చేయబడెను. అయితే పన్నులు అధికంగా వేయబడినవని ప్రజలు కంప్లెయింటు చేసినందువలన, పన్నులుకూడా తగ్గింపబడినవి.

" (c) లేదు.

" (d) Inspector of Local Boards విచారిస్తున్నారు."

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" May I know, Sir, on what grounds this panchayat board was converted into a municipality? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" I have already answered this question, Sir."

SRI K. VENKATANARAYANA DORA :—" సాలూరు, బొబ్బిలి, పార్వతీపురం మునిసిపాలిటీలుగా మార్చుతారని చెప్పారు. కాని బొబ్బిలి, పార్వతీపురం మాత్రం ఎందుకు వదిలిపెట్టారు ? అందుకు ఏమైనా రాజకీయ కారణములున్నవా ?

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" నాకేమి తెలియదు. అయితే విచారించి చూస్తాను."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" Sir, I want the English translation of the supplementary question and the answer."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Translation is not possible."

SRI G. RAMA RAO :—" What is the population of Salur, Sir? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" The population of Salur is somewhere between 25,000 and 30,000."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" What is the basis on which this panchayat board was converted into a municipality? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" More amenities are required by the people. If the income is good and the town is growing, then it is converted into a municipality."

SRI G. YELLAMANDA REDDI :—" Will the Government consider converting the other taluk headquarters also into municipalities on the same grounds? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" A separate question may be put, Sir."

SRI G. LATCHANNA :—" May I know, Sir, why Parvathipur and Bobbili were omitted even though it was notified that they also would be converted into municipalities and even though their income and population are greater than those of Salur? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" Notice, Sir."

11 a.m. SRI V. P. PUNDARIKAKSHACHARYULU :—" The Government have said that they have converted Salur Panchayat into a municipality so that more amenities could be provided. May I know what better amenities have been provided in the Salur Municipality for the last three years? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" When municipalities are newly constituted, usually a Special Officer is appointed to provide additional amenities consistent with the income of the municipality. In due course, I think the Salur Municipality will provide additional amenities."